

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: application of:	:
Patel, <i>et al.</i>	:
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Serial No. 10/802,034	: Group Art Unit: 1652
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Filed: 3/17/2004	: Examiner: Ganapathiram Raghu
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For: High Viscosity Xanthan Polymer	:
Preparations	:
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Commissioner for Patents
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Applicants submit this amendment in response to the office Action dated October 29, 2007, in the above-identified application. This response is being filed on April 28, 2008, along with request for a three (3) - month extension of time and a Request for Continued Examination.

Please amend the instant application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims. A complete listing of the claims and their current status begins on Page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on Page 5 of this paper.